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Alan Box Wind River Land & Cattle Company, LLC 779 Wilderness Road P.O. Box 642 Crowheart, WY 82512

Wind River Land & Cattle Company, LLC c/o Mead & Mead 185 East Hansen Jackson, WY 83001

Rodger Leseberg 5760 U.S. Hwy 26 P.O. Box 1013 Dubois, WY 82513

Re: Closure - Findings of Violation and Order for Compliance - Docket No. CWA-08-2001-51

Dear Mr. Box and Mr. Leseberg:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") has reviewed the 3rd Annual Monitoring Report, dated October 10, 2006, for the Wind River Restoration Plan. EPA, in consultation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, has determined that you have satisfactorily completed all of the requirements of EPA's Findings of Violation and Order for Compliance ("Order") issued to you and Wind River Land & Cattle Company, LLC on September 25, 2001. Accordingly, this Order shall now be closed and any obligations you have agreed to perform under this Order shall cease. Please be advised that closure of this Order does not relieve or change your obligations to comply with the Clean Water Act.

If you have any technical questions regarding this matter, the most knowledgeable person on my staff is Kenneth Champagne, Section 404 Enforcement Officer, who can be reached at 303-312-6608. Any legal questions should be directed to Wendy Silver, Senior Enforcement Attorney, at 303-312-6637. Thank you for your timely completion of the requirements of the Order.

Sincerely,

Carol Rushin

Assistant Regional Administrator Office of Enforcement, Compliance and Environmental Justice

cc: Tina Artemis, EPA, Regional Hearing Clerk
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